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| TOTAL CLAIMS   | 31   | MINUS                  | 31   | = 0                     | X \$50      | \$ 0                      |
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Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 20, 2004**

In response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2004, Applicants amend and remark as follows: